

The new vessels added during the year include 14 schooners, aggregating 1337.01 tons gross and 944.72 tons net and averaging 95.50 tons gross and 67.48 tons net; two schooner boats, aggregating 68.48 tons gross and 32.20 tons net, averaging 34.24 tons gross and 16.10 tons net, two sloop boats, aggregating 32.09 tons gross and 25.13 tons net, averaging 16.05 tons gross and 12.07 tons net, one steamer, 75.38 tons gross and 51.29 tons net, and one auxiliary schooner boat, 12.11 tons gross and net.

The vessels added by purchase include five schooners with a total measurement of 432.81 tons gross and 390.35 tons net and an average of 86.56 tons gross and 78.07 tons net; two schooner boats, aggregating 30.67 tons gross and 29.14 tons net and averaging 15.34 tons

gross and 14.57 tons net, and one sloop boat, 9.08 tons gross and 8.63 tons net.

The total number of vessels added to the fleet last year was 34, aggregating 2,957.62 tons gross and 2,006.52 tons net and averaging 86.99 tons gross and 58.43 tons net, of which 28 vessels, aggregating 2,789.13 tons gross and 1,955.27 tons net, averaging 99.61 tons gross and 69.86 tons net, were built during the year, and six vessels, aggregating 168.49 tons gross and 151.25 tons net, and averaging 28.08 tons gross and 25.21 tons net, were added by purchase from other ports.

The number of vessels belonging to the district last since the publication of the last list, including the eleven months ending October 1, 1903, was six, having a total tonnage of 728.25 tons gross and 527.01 tons net and an average tonnage of 121.36 tons gross and 87.84 tons net, all of which were employed in the fisheries. The vessels with their cargoes were valued at \$66,500, having an insurance of \$55,098.

The total number of lives lost during the year, including deaths at sea and in hospitals, was 76, leaving 10 widows and 54 fatherless children.

One vessel was lost with her entire crew of 14 men, sailing from port and failing to return, two vessels were wrecked, with the loss of 15 of each crew, 12 men were washed overboard from their vessels, seven were drowned by the capsizing of their dories, two went astray in their dory and were never heard from, four died on board vessels by accident, one fell from aloft and one was found in the dock.

For the preceding year the number of vessels lost was 11, with a total tonnage of 868.28 tons gross and 638.25 tons net, valued at \$74,800 and insured for \$25,065. The total number of lives lost during the year was 74, leaving 27 widows and 45 fatherless children.

Twenty vessels, with a total measurement of 1,579.08 tons gross and 1,221.22 tons net, and an average measurement of 78.95 tons gross and 61.06 tons net, have been sold to other ports during the year, including 11 schooners, 881.83 tons gross and 564.80 tons net, one sloop, 63.05 tons gross and 59.90 tons net, one sloop boat, 6.82 tons gross and 6.48 tons net, two auxiliary schooner boats, 50.25 tons gross and 23.61 tons net, two steamers, of 77.36 tons gross and 38.69 tons net and three barges, 500.74 tons gross and 430.61 tons net.

The number of outfitters, including firms and individual owners at Gloucester harbor is 28, fitting 227 vessels. This list does not include a large number of owners who sail their own vessels and have no permanent place of fitting, while several vessels are included which are owned by their masters but fit regularly at the places under which they are given below. Last year the number of outfitters was 31, fitting 231 vessels.

#### Fresh Fish Sales.

The fare of fresh mixed fish of sch. Ella M. Goodwin sold to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company at 4 cents for haddock and 4 3-4 cents for codfish. This price equals Boston quotations today.

#### Big Haddock.

Sch. Eva and Mildred landed a big haddock at Boston yesterday. The fish was caught off the Maine coast, weighed 17 1-2 pounds, and some of the dealers called it the largest they ever saw.

### DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

#### To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, shore.  
Sch. Evelyn L. Smith, shore.  
Sch. Galatea, shore.  
Sch. John M. Keen, shore.  
Sch. Lillian, shore, 2500 lbs. cod.  
Sch. Manomet, shore.

#### Today's Market.

Board of trade prices: Large handline Georges cod, \$4.50 per cwt. medium do., \$3.75; large trawl Georges, \$4.25; medium do., \$3.50; handline cod from deck, caught east of Cape Sable, \$4.25; medium do., \$3.50; large trawl bank cod, \$3.75; medium do., \$3.37 1-2; large dory handline cod, \$4.10; medium do., \$3.62 1-2.

Board of Trade splitting prices on fresh fish — All cod caught on Le Have Bank and to the westward, large \$2.25; medium, \$1.70; all cod caught to the eastward of Le Have Bank large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.70; snapper cod fish, 40 cts.; cusk, \$1.60; snapper cusk, 40 cts. haddock, \$1.00; hake, \$1.10.; pollock, 60 cts.

Outside sale of dory handline cod \$4.40 for large and \$3.90 for medium.

Outside sales Georges cod \$4.75 and \$3.75 per cwt. for large and medium.

Outside sale fresh fish, large cod, \$2.25; market cod, \$1.75; cusk, \$1.60; hake, \$1.15.

Round pollock, 80 cts. per cwt.

Bank halibut 12 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts per lb. for gray.

Salt mackerel, \$16 per bbl.

Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.10 to \$3.12 1-2 per bbl.

#### Boston.

Sch. Laura Enos, 3000 pollock.  
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 1000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Emily Cooney, 3000 haddock.

Sch. Vidia M. Brigham, 2000 haddock, 2000 cod, 700 hake, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 900 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. M. Madeleine, 700 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake, 500 pollock.

Sch. Mary J. Ward, 1000 cod, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 2300 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Ella M. Doughty, 14,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Esther Gray, 8000 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Seacount, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Estelle S. Nunan, 2000 haddock, 2400 cod, 100 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Flirt, 4000 haddock, 6000 cod, 25,000 hake, 3000 cusk.

Haddock, \$3.25 to \$4.25; large cod, \$5 to \$5.50; market cod, \$2.75 to \$3.50; hake, \$2.50; pollock, \$2; cusk, \$1.60.

#### Herring News.

The Boston Fish Bureau reports frost at Bay of Islands.

Sch. J. E. Garland has gone to Ipswich for a cargo of frozen herring.

A dispatch received last evening from Bay of Islands, N. F., reports herring scarce there again.

#### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Mabel E. Bryson, Sylvia M. Nunan and Fresh Hawk were at Portland on Monday.

## CATCH MUCH DECREASED.

Nova Scotia Bankers Had Very Poor Season.

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Against 47,715,000 Pounds Landed Last Year.

A special to the TIMES today, from its Halifax, N. S., correspondent states that during the season just ended, the Lunenburg, N. S., fleet of 69 vessels, engaged in the fisheries had made a total catch of 11,784,000 pounds, or 9,021,000 pounds less than last year.

Le Have, N. S., had 68 vessels whose total catch was 10,368,000 pounds, a decrease of 8,432,000 pounds from last year's catch.

Mahone Bay had 24 vessels which landed 3,480,000 pounds, this being 3,130,000 pounds less than last year.

The total catch this year is 25,632,000 pounds. The catch of 1902 was 47,715,000 pounds. Thus this year's catch shows the big falling off of 22,083,000 pounds, or almost 50 per cent. It is expected there will be great privation among some of the fishermen during the winter.

These figures give some idea of what a poor season the bank fleets of New England, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and France have had. True the New England bankers did not suffer as bad as the Nova Scotian fleet, still the catch as compared with last year will show a big falling off. The Newfoundland fleet was as badly off as that of Nova Scotia, while the French fleet did even worse than that, some vessels even giving up in despair before the season was over.

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Sch. Yankee, 500 haddock, 5300 cod, 1500 hake, 300 pollock.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 5500 haddock, 1400 cod.

Sch. Oregon, 6000 haddock, 1000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Manahasset, 9000 haddock, 2000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Gertrude, 17,000 haddock, 600 cod.

Sch. Mary Emerson, 6000 pollock.